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PATENT

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Applicant:

Lawrence E. Leahy

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TRANSMITTAL

- 1. Transmitted herewith is:
 - Amendment in Response to the Office Action dated May 19, 2004 (13 pgs.)
 - Amendment Transmittal (3 pgs., in duplicate)
 - Terminal Disclaimer To Obviate a Double Patenting Rejection Over a Prior Patent (1 pg., in duplicate)
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STATUS

2. Applicant

Claims small entity status.

is other than a small entity.

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EXTENSION OF TERM

3.	3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.												
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An extension of months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. Extension fee due with this request \$ OR (b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. FEE FOR CLAIMS													
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 19, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.